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(b) if this amount is Rs. 9 lakhs only, how the balance of the allotment of 23 lakhs is utilized among aided schools maintained by mission bodies and other aided schools respectively; and

(c) what the amount of aid given to mission bodies for the maintenance of elementary schools is in the years 1919-20, 1920-21 respectively and if there is any increase what the reasons are for the increased grant.

A.—(a) Rupees 8,79,054.

(b) The sum of 23 lakhs was an estimate of requirements in the event of the grant being extended to aided schools. It was not possible however to allot any sum for aided education.

(c) The information is not at present available.

Medical College for Vizagapatam.

470 Q.—Mr. C. V. S. NARASIMHA RAJU : To ask the Hon'ble the Minister for Local Self-Government whether the Government issued any order for the opening of a Medical College at Vizagapatam and, if so, when the college will be opened.

A.—The Government have approved the Surgeon-General's proposal that the Vizagapatam Medical School should be converted into a college. Details are being worked out by the Surgeon-General. It is not possible to say when the college will be opened.

Strikes causing public inconvenience.

471 Q.—Diwan Bahadur M. RAMACHANDRA RAO PANTULU : To ask the Hon'ble the Law Member whether the proposals of the Local Government to prevent strikes causing public inconvenience referred to in question 78 asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 16th day of February last will be placed before the Council for an expression of opinion before they are forwarded to the Government of India.

A.—The answer is in the negative.

Revision of salaries.

472 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : To ask the Hon'ble the Member for Finance—

(a) to state the dates from which revision of salaries has been given effect to in the case of—

(i) Imperial services,

(ii) Provincial services (Judicial),

(iii) Provincial services (Executive); and

(b) to state the date from which Mr. A. R. Knapp has recommended that the revision of salaries of the non-gazetted services should be given effect to.

A.—(a) A statement is laid on the table.*

(b) Mr. Knapp did not make any suggestion as to the date from which the revision of salaries of the non-gazetted services should be given effect to.

Scholarships for medical students in Ceded districts.

473 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : To ask the Hon'ble the Minister for Local Self-Government to state—

(a) (i) the number of scholarships of Rs. 25 each sanctioned for the students of the Ceded districts joining the Medical school;

(ii) the year from which they were sanctioned;

(iii) the names of the students with their addresses who were given the scholarships from year to year; and

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(b) if there is a rule that these scholarships should be given to students whose families have really settled in the Ceded Districts and have been living there for generations, in preference to the sons of officials or others whose stay in the districts is quite accidental and purely temporary.

A.—(a) (i) Ten.

(ii) From 1st July 1918.

(iii) The Government are not in possession of the information required.

(b) The scholarships are given to students who are natives of the Ceded Districts; every candidate is required to produce a certificate as to the district of which he is a native from a revenue officer of that district not below the rank of deputy tahsildar.

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"The answer to (a) (iii) is that the Government are not in possession of the information required. I put the question to obtain the information. The Government have the means of getting the information and I expected that they would give it. Will they now call for the information and furnish me?"

Mr. A. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR (for the Hon'ble the Minister):—"The Government will call for the information and furnish it to the honourable member if he applies for it."

Famine test-works in Bellary district.

474 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"To ask the Hon'ble the Member for Revenue to state—

(a) what other famine test-works have been started in the Bellary district after the Honourable Member's reply to question No. 94 put by me at the meeting of the Legislative Council dated the 14th February 1921;

(b) the dates on which they were respectively started;

(c) the average daily attendance of coolies, from week to week, on each work from the time it was started; and

(d) the average daily attendance on the two works already started near Virapuram and on the Alur-Asperi road from 29th January 1921.

A.—The following statement gives the information asked for:—

Name of work.	Date on which opened.	Average daily attendance during the week ending				
		5th February 1921.	12th February 1921.	19th February 1921.	26th February 1921.	5th March 1921.
Siruguppa-Adoni road ..	} During week ending 5th February 1921.	172	444	} 919	1,327	1,314
Siruguppa-Bellary road ..		573	165			
Kuppagal-Kowtalam road ..	25th January 1921 ..	684	734	583	666	} 1,040
Northern Trunk road ..	4th February 1921.	..	457	815	241	
Alur-Guntakal road ..	30th January 1921 ..	125	514	179	79	63
Bellary-Kurnool road ..	17th January 1921(a).	1,960	871	573	569	591
Bellary-Rayadurg road ..	10th February 1921.	Closed as no coolies attended.				
Joladarsi-Anantapur road (the work near K. Virapuram).	....	314	415	324	349	No information.
Alur-Asperi road ..	....	479	145	Closed as no coolies attended.		

(a) Average attendance during weeks ending 22nd January 1921 and 29th January 1921 was 1,365 and 1,860 respectively.